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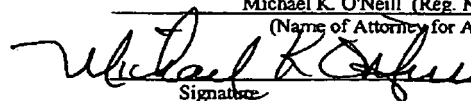
This is a response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2008. Claims 1, 3, and 5 to 15 are in the application, with Claims 1, 6 to 8, 10, and 12 being independent.

Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

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